

HOUSE No. 1084

By Mr. Linsky of Natick, petition of David Paul Linsky and others
that the Department of Education be directed to establish an after
school child care transportation program. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

David Paul Linsky
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Alice Hanlon Peisch
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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 There shall be established within the department of education
2 the after school child care transportation program. The purpose of
3 this program shall be to establish local public and private collabo-
4 rative systems to transport children to child care programs for
5 children between the ages of five and twelve which are licensed
6 by the commonwealth.

7 The department shall establish guidelines for the award of
8 grants to such programs which demonstrate the maximum collabo-
9 ration between private schools, public school systems and other
10 private and public agencies. Said guidelines shall include manda-
11 tory requirements that such funds shall be used for the children of
12 parents who are employed or who show evidence that they will be
13 employed upon the provision of after school care for their chil-
14 dren.

15 As a condition of said grant, said programs shall submit to the
16 department monthly enrollment figures which verify the number
17 of children of working parents benefiting from such programs.
18 Such grants shall not be used to supplement local school busing
19 contracts.

20 Preference in the awarding of grants shall be given to programs
21 that utilize currently existing transportation services.

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